

REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are pending. Claims 37-40 have been cancelled.

Restriction Requirement

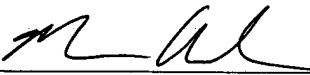
The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I. Claims 1-36, drawn to configuring the communication for storage devices, classified in class 710, subclass 104.

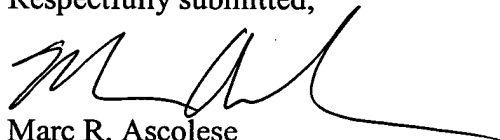
Group II. Claims 37-40, drawn to an apparatus for controlling I/O operations over a storage device, classified in class 710, subclass 100.

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, the applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group I, claims 1-36, drawn to configuring the communication for storage devices, classified in 710, subclass 104.

Please cancel claims 37-40 without prejudice to the subject matter disclosed therein.

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